

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the specification at the paragraph beginning on page 1, line 35 and ending on page 2, line 1:

The inventors of this invention have made intensive investigation to achieve the object mentioned above, and found that phenol derivatives having a sulfonyl group ~~at the ortho position of a hydrogen group and or~~ a carbonyl group ~~at the ortho position of a hydroxyl group~~ produce molecular compounds effectively and that the molecular compounds have excellent performances in technological fields where a useful substance is selectively separated, chemically stabilized, rendered nonvolatile, gradually releasable, powdered or otherwise treated.